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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

Vikram Valame

Plaintiff,

vs.

Joseph R. Biden, President of the United  
States, et. al.

Defendants.

) Case Number: 5:23-cv-03018-NC

) **DECLARATION OF VIKRAM VALAME**

) **IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF'S MOTION**  
) **FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT**

I, *Vikram Valame* declare as follows:

*[In the first paragraph, explain who you are and how you are connected to the party or events relevant to the lawsuit. If you are the Plaintiff or Defendant, say so here. If you are a witness, say how you are involved.]*

1. I am plaintiff in this lawsuit against the United States Federal Government and its officials.

2. I have personal knowledge of all facts stated in this declaration, and if called to testify, I could and would testify competently thereto.

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1           3.       I am a male citizen of the United States.

2           4.       In May of 2023 I attained 18 years of age.

3           5.       After attaining the age of 18, I have never been in active-duty military service,  
4 enrolled in any military academies, imprisoned, institutionalized, hospitalized, or continuously  
5 confined to a secure facility.

6           6.       I have not registered for the Selective Service system through any means, and do  
7 not plan to do so. I do not wish to spend my time, electricity, mobile data, or postage to register.  
8 I also do not wish to participate in an unconstitutionally discriminatory process.

9           7.       In May of 2023, I accessed the Selective Service System's website by inputting  
10 sss.gov/register into my internet browser. That webpage displayed text stating "current law does  
11 not permit females to register". I have attached a PDF save of that web page taken from my  
12 computer on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as Exhibit A to my motion for summary judgment. Having  
13 reviewed that PDF, I can confirm that it appears identical to the webpage I viewed in May,  
14 except that the normally unclickable and unfilled checkbox for "female" is checked on the PDF.

15           8.       Some time after learning of the discriminatory registration prohibition for women,  
16 I navigated to the "benefits & penalties" section of the Selective Service System website. This  
17 web page was located at <https://www.sss.gov/register/benefits-and-penalties/>. On that web page I  
18 saw that substantial penalties could be imposed on me for failing to register. The website stated  
19 that "failure to register is a felony punishable by a fine of up to \$250,000 and/or 5 years  
20 imprisonment", and that failure to register would subject me to referral to the Department of  
21 Justice for investigation and prosecution. The website also stated that I could lose valuable  
22 federal job opportunities. I downloaded a PDF copy of the website onto my computer, which I  
23 have attached as Exhibit B to my motion for summary judgment. I reviewed that PDF and can  
24 confirm it accurately reflects the contents of the website that I saw.

25           9.       I then navigated to the "Frequently Asked Questions" area of the Selective  
26 Service System's website at <https://www.sss.gov/faq/>. I clicked on the drop down menu titled "I  
27 just got a reminder to register in the mail. How did you get my name and address?". The website  
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1 stated that the Selective Service System took addresses and names from public high schools to  
2 enforce draft registration. Having recently graduated a public high school, this concerned me. I  
3 have attached a PDF download of this web page as Exhibit C to my motion for summary  
4 judgement. Having reviewed this PDF download, I can confirm that it accurately reflects the web  
5 page that I previously viewed.

6 10. I also checked the severity of the local U.S. Attorney's enforcement of the  
7 registration requirement. After googling ""US Attorney for the northern district of California"  
8 and "selective service"", I found a web page from the department of Justice at  
9 <https://www.justice.gov/usao-ndca/employment>. That web page stated that the U.S. Attorney for  
10 the Northern District of California was requiring that every job applicant in his entire office be  
11 registered with the Selective Service. I have attached a PDF copy of that page as Exhibit D to my  
12 motion for summary judgment. Having reviewed the PDF I downloaded on September 14<sup>th</sup>,  
13 2023, I can confirm that it accurately reflects the website I initially viewed.

14 11. Because the registration requirement stigmatizes me as more easily disposed of  
15 than women, and threatens me with criminal prosecution, I filed a lawsuit against the  
16 requirement on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

17 12. I certify my compliance with the Local Rules, the Federal Rules of Civil  
18 Procedure (including rule 11), and other relevant ethical standards in connection with my motion  
19 for summary judgment. I have complied with those obligations to the best of my abilities.  
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23 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the  
24 foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

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26 Signature:



27 Printed name: Vikram Valame

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